

Quantico Orienteering Club, Inc.
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2021

I. Call to Order

President Fish called to order the regular meeting of the QOC Board of Directors at 7:05. The meeting was held via teleconference.

President Fish started the meeting reviewing the success of the season despite the Covid restrictions. It was a great year for the club.

II. Roll Call

President **Don Fish**

Vice President **Michael Newman**

Vice President **Charles Carrick**

Treasurer **Karla Hulett**

Membership **Greg Lennon**

Immediate Past President **Jody Landers**

Director at Large **Dasa Merkova**

Vice President **Craig Shelden**

Vice President **Bill Wright**

Secretary **Laura Linville**

Publicity **Kathleen Lennon**

Mapping **Ted Good**

Director at Large **Aaron Linville**

III. Officers & Directors Reports

A. Secretary report- Laura Linville

The meeting minutes were distributed prior to the meeting.

Since the last board meeting the schedule has changed. Lake Accotink is now the NVSO event. Since Gunston Hall is no longer the first event of the season we will charge the \$5 per person fee.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jody, seconded by Charles. No objections.

B. Treasurer report- Karla Hulett

Karla shared the treasurer's report.

MDWSS has not cashed the check. *Action item- remind them to deposit it.*

We had strong membership in 2020-21. The preregistration and high attendance at events resulted in more income than expenses. This will allow us to invest in activities that enhance the experience for club members.

The Board discussed the assumptions made in the creation of the budget, the changes that occurred during the year, and reasons why our models might be off. The Board wants to monitor the changes once things return to 'normal.'

In 23 events, we had close to 4,000 starts (approximately 1,000 were non-members).

A motion to approve the report was made by Jody, seconded by Aaron. No objections.

C. MD VP Report- Craig Sheldon & Mike Newman

Craig reviewed the completed events since the last meeting including the number of starts and the attrition.

He also discussed the MapRun pilot. The total number of starts over the year was 500. It was most used for Green and Brown courses. It was also used by course setters and control pickers. He went through pros, cons, observations, and recommendations.

This year Craig has done the map prep for Valerie and has done the work for MapRun. He is happy to work with anyone who wants to be trained on either of those. There has been interest in Maryland for course setter training.

Craig recommends a \$200 donation to MapRun via PayPal, subject to the guidance of the Board.

Action item: Karla will make the donation to MapRun

Action item: Craig will reach out to Peggy about using it for SSS.

Don Fish thanked Craig for his work in setting up MapRun and giving us this option. Kudos to Craig!

D. VA VP Report- Charles Carrick & Bill Wright

Nothing to report.

Discussion of upcoming 2021-22 schedule.

E. Membership, Website, Registration, & Communication- Greg Lennon

Our membership system will increase the cost by about 18 percent. We will need to budget for this increase.

The challenge with registration this year was not knowing until the last minute if the events would be held or not.

Discussion of procedures and decisions about registration and website issues will be held during the second half of the meeting.

F. Publicity- Kathleen Lennon

The summer is slow, so there will be fewer posts. Many people have been sending photos. Justin Green has been taking photos and videos at events.

G. Mapping- Ted Good

Sam has completed his yearly update to Little Bennett.

Nadim is working on an update to Hoyles Mill.

Ted has received the PWF map from Jon Torrance.

H. President- Don Fish

Thanked Mike Newman for his work on the qualifying event for the National Team.

IV. Other Business

a. Event registration procedures for next season

Keep things mostly as-is, likely increasing size of start windows (15 minute windows will not be necessary) and increasing number of start per window.

Ending registration earlier, possibly noon on Saturday eases map printing.

Some discussion of how not allowing walk-up registration may have effects (discussion that Meet Directors have wide discretion to allow walk-ups who are unaware of orienteering to try a course if extra maps are available).

b. Proposed schedule of events for next season

Considerations included availability of course setters, use of parks in winter months, holidays, national events, and other local club events.

In parks where we have constraints, we might want to consider having beginner only events and advanced only events.

Discussion and approval for exception to map licensing fees for NJROTC event planned for Rosaryville, Saturday 18 December 2021.

Discussion on hosting a national meet in fall of 2022.

c. BOD nominating committee

Jody provided an update on the nominating committee. Kathleen will be moving off the Board, but will continue to support the publicity behind the scenes. In July 2021 we will send out an electronic ballot.

d. QOC financial contribution to the national team

Jody made a motion to support each team with a \$1,000 contribution. Greg made an amendment to give \$2,000 to the Senior National Team and \$1,000 to the Junior team.

It was unanimously approved.

Discussion of providing grants for Juniors.

e. Permitting issues for non-Covid reasons

Discussion about establishing relationships with parks to help us obtain permits.

Meeting adjourned at 10:13pm

Next meeting will be held August 25 at 7pm. We will continue to hold the BOD meetings via Zoom.

Others in attendance: Sidney Sachs, Jon Torrance, Amy Loudon

Minutes submitted: Laura Linville